



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Solicitation for Nominations for Appointment to the Board of  
Scientific Counselors, National Institute for Occupational  
Safety and Health

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC),  
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC),  
within the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is  
seeking nominations for membership on the Board of Scientific  
Counselors, National Institute for Occupational Safety and  
Health (BSC, NIOSH). The BSC, NIOSH consists of 15 experts in  
fields associated with occupational safety and health.

**DATES:** Nominations for membership on the BSC, NIOSH must be  
received no later than **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN  
FEDERAL REGISTER]**. Packages received after this time will not be  
considered for the current membership cycle.

**ADDRESSES:** All nominations should be mailed to NIOSH Docket 278,  
c/o Ms. Pauline Benjamin, Committee Management Specialist,  
NIOSH, CDC, 1600 Clifton Road NE, Mailstop V24-4, Atlanta,  
Georgia 30329-4027 or emailed to [nioshdocket@cdc.gov](mailto:nioshdocket@cdc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Maria Strickland, M.P.H.,  
Designated Federal Officer, Board of Scientific Counselors,  
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers  
for Disease Control and Prevention, Patriots Plaza 1, 395 E

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Nominations are sought for individuals who have the expertise and qualifications necessary to contribute to the accomplishment of the objectives of the BSC, NIOSH. Nominees will be selected based on expertise in pertinent disciplines involved in occupational safety and health, such as occupational medicine, occupational nursing, industrial hygiene, occupational safety, engineering, toxicology, chemistry, safety and health education, ergonomics, epidemiology, biostatistics, psychology, wellness, research translation, and evaluation. Federal employees will not be considered for membership. Members may be invited to serve for up to four-year terms. Selection of members is based on candidates' qualifications to contribute to the accomplishment of BSC, NIOSH objectives

(<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/BSC/default.html>).

HHS policy stipulates that committee membership be balanced in terms of points of view represented and the committee's function. Appointments shall be made without discrimination on the basis of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, HIV status, disability, and cultural, religious, or socioeconomic status. Nominees must be U.S. citizens and cannot be full-time employees of the U.S. Government. Current participation on Federal workgroups or prior experience serving on a Federal advisory committee does not

disqualify a candidate; however, HHS policy is to avoid excessive individual service on advisory committees and multiple committee memberships. Committee members are Special Government Employees, requiring the filing of financial disclosure reports at the beginning of and annually during their terms. CDC reviews potential candidates for BSC, NIOSH membership each year and provides a slate of nominees for consideration to the Secretary of HHS for final selection. HHS notifies selected candidates of their appointment near the start of the term in January 2024, or as soon as the HHS selection process is completed. Note that the need for different expertise varies from year to year and a candidate who is not selected in one year may be reconsidered in a subsequent year. Candidates should submit the following items:

- Current curriculum vitae, including complete contact information (telephone numbers, mailing address, e-mail address)
- Cover letter, including a description of the candidate's qualifications and why the candidate would be a good fit for the BSC, NIOSH
- At least one letter of recommendation from person(s) not employed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Candidates may submit letter(s) from current HHS employees if they wish, but at least one letter must be submitted by a person not employed by an HHS agency (e.g., CDC, NIH, FDA).

Nominations may be submitted by the candidate or by the person/organization recommending the candidate.

The Director, Strategic Business Initiatives Unit, Office of the Chief Operating Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, has been delegated the authority to sign *Federal Register* notices pertaining to announcements of meetings and other committee management activities, for both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

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